Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR) Programs to Strengthen Marriages and Families:

LIRS HEALTHY FAMILY INITIATIVE IN ILLINOIS, NJ, CO and NEBRASKA

## **PURPOSE:**

This Family Enrichment program helps strengthen marriages and family relationships within refugee communities.

In Chicago, IL, training is provided by the Jewish Family and Community Service of Illinois, in keeping the principles of the Power of Two curriculum. In Trenton, NJ, a parenting lesson-plan is being developed. In Colorado Springs, CO, a Family Enrichment Coordinator will organize workshops based on Power of Two techniques, including dialogue and decision-making skills in relationships between parents, teachers and refugee school children. In Omaha, NE, workshops addressing financial-related conflict within families will be provided.

GRANT RECIPIENT(S): Lutheran Immigration Refugee Service (LIRS)

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